

**Amendments**

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**In the Specification:**

Page 1, after the title, please insert the following title and paragraph:

**--CROSS-REFERENCED TO RELATED APPLICATION**

This application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/520,385, entitled "HARDWARE CONFIGURATION, SUPPORT NODE AND METHOD FOR IMPLEMENTING GENERAL PACKET RADIO SERVICES OVER GSM" which is hereby incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

**In the claims:**

1. (Canceled) A hardware configuration for implementing general packet radio services over a global system for mobile communications network comprising:
  - a plurality of electronic boards for providing general packet radio services functionality;
  - an internal bus for providing communications between the electronic cards and within the configuration; and
  - an external bus for providing communications with circuits external to the configuration.
2. (Canceled) The hardware configuration as recited in claim 1 wherein communications over the internal bus are transmitted in compact peripheral component interconnect.
3. (Canceled) The hardware configuration as recited in claim 2 wherein the internal bus supports voice services.